### [Written for the Indianapolis Sentinel.] META WOODRUF.

By Mrs. Addie Dettch Frank.

CHAPTER XVII -- (CONTINUED.)

Let us now return to the sick chamber at Woodruf Hall. Arthur had gone out to get the fre-hair. Madam Reek had retired to the next room, at Mr. Woodruf's request, and he, for the first time since their marriage, was angry with his wife. Weak as he was, he paced the floor back and forth; his voice trempled as he spoke, and his limbs shak-

"Loan not and will not endure this kind of life another week. In the past, I thought Meta to blame for most of the disturbance between you; but I now see my mistake."

"I am not in the least surprised at your turning against me; for how could you do otherwise, after hearing "what your dear neice said a few moments ago."

"It is not her words alone which have convinced me of your hatred for my daughter." "Indeed! Then will you be so kind as to inform me of the one who knows more than

myself of whom I like and dislike?' "That you may have revenge upon them? No; I am no longer the fool I was. My daughter shall return home."

"Then, sir, as I have not changed my mind in regard to leaving here when she returns, I will leave you immediately, that you may have her with you the sooner. But before I go you must make some kind of a settlement with me. Even though I shall no longer be mistress of Woodruf Hall, I must live as becomes the wife of Clive Woodruf."

She had changed her tone from a mocking coolness to one of command.

How beautiful she was as she stood before coals. Unfortunate, unhappy man, why did you not listen to the pleading of your only child when she asked you to give up Lina Mason? You not only wrecked your own life, but that of your daughter. How can you ever atone for the latter? God

"Lina, you must remain here. There is com enough for you both. A Woodrui was never know to separate from his wife, and they are a family who are as old as this country. I do not intend to make a beginning, although I am the first of my family who has ever married a second time.'

"It would have been better for us both if you had never done away with the custom." "I oved you ther, Lina, and I love you yet, and do not intend to part with you. There is more than enough room in this arge bouse for you both; you need not even come in contact with each other."

"That may be true, yet I do not mean to remain under the same roof with her, who once scorned my offer of friendship simply because I had been her governess; while you, her father, had humbled yourself to ask me to be your wife. Was I to blame for your loving me? Should I, to please her. have declined your offer, the acceptancy of which would free me from the life I so detrated? Ah! Clive Woodruf, I wish I had; God alone knows how differently my life would have been. As it is, I do not intend to allow her to be near me. I do not want her friendship now, I want her to hate me, and I will do all in my power to make her

"She was but a chi d then; as she grows der she will regret her unjust actious." "Months have passed by, it is almost a year since that occurred; since then she has had ample time to ask my pardon. Has she

"She has not yet recovered from the unpleasantness connected with the affair. Put vourself in her place for a moment, Lina. Would it not hurt you to see another take the place of your mother in your home?" "It is too bad that you had not thought of

this before and endeavored to save your daughter so much unhappiness." "I thought that she would forget it and learn to love you. But God or the devil has caused everything connected with our mar-

r are to prove the reverse." "Your daughter, then, must be the latter person; for if it were not for her we might. perhaps, live without an unpleasant word or

moment in our lives. But I must have this matter settled at once and forever. Do you intend bringing her home?" "I most assuredly do, and also mean for you to remain here, as the name of Woodruf shall not be disbonored by my driving my daughter from home, perhaps to destruction; nor by allowing my wife to leave it.

Do you understand me, Lina?" "Very well indeed, but do not hesitate in saying that you are more of a foul than I thought you were; that is, if you think I will obey you."

"Can nothing, not even my love for you, have any effect upon your wilful mind?" "Nothing but money can change my reso-

"My God! can it be possible that my wife has become so mercenary as to command pay for that which a true wife ought to do willingly? How much do you want?"

"You might give me \$10,000, or your note for that amount, so that in case anything happened to you, I would have more than the little amount the law would allow me." "Great heavens! Lina, are you losing your anind?" exclaimed Mr. Woodruf.

"If you value your name and your past record so highly, you will not hesitate in complying with my small demand at once." "For once you will find that I have no re-

in the past, and I do not think you have I shall hate you more than I have ever loved

Lina stopped to think a moment before the answered her husband. She saw how wrong she was doing; how little to accom- | farmer than a year's subscription to the Recplish her purpose. She heard Arthur Bra- ord at such low cost. den, the man she loved so dearly, enter his room and close the door after him. It was this which caused her to go to her husband, and placing her arms around his neck. smoothed his hair off his forenead and kissed | larly known as "hard times." But if these

"Dear Clive, forgive me; I was angry, and did not stop to think what I was saying."

"Are you sure of this, Lina?" "Believe me, Clive, for I speak nothing but the truth. Send for Meta as soon as you like. You shall meet with no more opposition on my part."

willingly. We may yet be happy." Still there remained in Mr. Woodruf's mind a doubt as to whether his wife wassincers in what she had said. Did she really mean for Meta to return home, as a daughter should? He tried to think that he was doing wrong in allowing himself to doubt her for an instant; yet, try as he would, he could not drive the thought from his mind. She was deceiving him. Her heart was not with her words and actions. He | He gets the foreign market rate, less cost of is not equaled in any other preparation of thought again and again of what Gertie transportation. The result is told in the phosphorus," was not with her words and actions. He

The more he tried to solve the mesaing of her worus, the more puzzled he became "Tell Madam Reek and Arthur both to rest to-night, Lina. I shell not need them. ss you can give me my medicine. I thank God that I am once more able to be around

I. also, thank Him for restoring you to health again as near as He has.' Lina heard Arthur open and close his door again, and knew he was coming to their room. She hastened out into the hall, and after delivering her husband's message,

ssked him to return to his room again with

'My room is no place for you, Lina. It you have anything to say to me let us go to the library," said Arthur.

'No; this is the only safe place, as the servents have not yet retires. What I have to say to you is for the ears of no one else but yours" Saying which, she entered the room, and taking his band, led him in after her. She sat down by a table, and motioned him to a chair opposite her.

"Arthur Braden, you know why I seek this interview without asking " "I acknowledge that I do, Lina, and think you had best postpone it until your passion

has cooled a little." "Since my noble lover is so cool, it makes no difference about his lady love. Come. explain your conduct of this evening," she

said, mockingly. "I do not think an explanation is necessary, as you undoubtedly heard and understood the meaning of my words." "Then you want me to understand that you love Meta Woodruf and expect to marry

"If she will have me, yes," he answered in a firm voice. "What if Clive Woodruf should die; would

you give her up and marry me?" "You have my promise, but God grant that it may never be realized.' "You are right; for the reality would be a curse to you; to me, a beaven. You do not love me now. Arthur: I know it is an impos-

sibility to love more than one at a time. I had | and the weather becomes favorable; and but not thought that you were so changeable." "It is your wicked, deceiving ways which have made me so. I will not deny that I love Meta more than anyone else. God knows I have tried hard to prevent myself | sows of such breeds readily assimilate the her husband, with eyes flashing like two hot from doing so. But Lina you will, you food digested and convert it into fat or most, learn to love her for my sake when milk. Even when nursing large litters they

> "Do you know what you are asking of me, other breeds and usually are in good condi-Arthur Braden? Could you love, or even | tion when the pigs are weaned. But the like, one who would take all hope in life | difficulty with the pigs is that they become away from you? Ah, no, Arthur. You ask | very fat and often suffocate, as excessive fat

'Yet it can not be helped, and-" think that after loving you, after waiting necessarily afflicted in such manner, for long, weary years for you to make me your | those breeds of sows make good mothers and | of water. It is better than French Brandy or Bo wife, that I will allow another to usurp my | care well for their young; but in using such place? You do not know me, Arthur Braden. I wern you now against marrying ly on concentrated food. As long as the Meta Woodrul. You will never live to call ber wife." interrupted Lina. Her face was livid with anger.

would commit murder. No. I am not afraid | sow become thin in flesh she may be ted on of you. You see it is impossible for us ever anything she will eat. For the farmer's to be more to each other than we are now: why do you seek to destroy my happiness?" Because you destroyed mine, and I will

"It is false. Had you not sold yourself for wealth and luxury, we would be nus | in a warm room for a few hours, or until band and wife to day.

"Granted that is true. I will give you another reason, one which I can not deny. | merse in water at a temperature of 103 de-I love you, and love will guide me on my way, placing in my hands the wespon with which to destroy you.

will await you. Have you no fear of that?" "After you are dead, I will destroy myself; for then I will have nothing laft on | from their dam. Heavy sows will crush the earth to live for; thus cheating justice, and | pigs by falling on them much more fremany curious eyes out of seeing a woman | quently in winter than in summer. The first

"Your crime would then be doubled. | are carefully watched for that time they will Lina, I repeat I am not afraid of you in | need but little assistance afterward. spite of all your threats."

"Then, sir, do as you like; but remember my warning. When a woman's love turns into hatred it is best for the victim to remain as far away from her as possible. | ment from the dam so much the better. It Open the door; I must return to my dear | kept in a growing condition they will prove hosband," she said, sneeringly. "Lina, let us part friends to-night. To-

morrow I will leave Woodruf Hall." "It would only be mockery for me to say that I will always be your friend, for I must | and Chester Whites are not as tender as the be everything to you or nothing. If not in life, then come, welcome death, and unite us. Stand aside and allow me to pass."

Arthur stepped away from before the door, and Lina Woodruf passed out into the hall, staggering as if her limbs would give way. Reaching her room, she found her husband | are farrowed in the fall should come from isst asleep. Going to the bedside, she | the larger breeds, as they need longer time watched his peaceful breathing. As she for maturity. There is difficulty in raising stood there, one standing near might have pigs that are tarrowed at this time if they heard her say, "I can not, no, I can not; yet-i must. After Lina had gone, Arthur sat down by

a table, and, resting his head in his hands, | should not be favorable. could only think of the great change which bad taken place in the last few months in the woman he had once loved so devotedly. All night long he sat there without closing | Show in Chicago the grades were heavier and his eyes. He had known before what it was | better proportioned than some of the thorto be miserable; but never had he been so | oughbreds. wretched as that night. He made up his mind to leave Woodrnf Hall on the morrow and never return again until Lina had forgotten him. If he married Meta he would take her far away from the place which, for many months, had been as a hell to her. Morning found him tired and weary. After bathing his face and taking a walk in the fresh morning sir, by the time breakfast was ready he was able to de justice to the meal. CONTINUED TO-MORROW,

### The Case of the Farmers. [Philadelphia Becord.]

A farmer in Kent County, Delaware, writes to the Record complaining of the exceedingly low prices of sgricultural staples. He says that his daily paper, which at first cost gard for name if it consists in stooping to | him annually the value of four bushels of such degradation as purchasing my wife's | corn, or two and one-half of wheat, now consent to do her duty. Remain here, Lina, I takes fifteen bushels of corn, or seven and and I will be to you that which I have been | one-half of wheat, as its yearly toll. This is remarkable; but if a less expense is desirever bed cause to complain. Leave me and | able, this Delaware farmer and all others can get the Record every day in the year for the value of about eight bushels of corn, or four and one-half of wheat. And no better investment can be made by any

Many of those who live by the soil will be inclined to agree with our Kent County friend that low prices for farm products is one of the principal causes of what is popuprices advance, so does every other charge; and the farmer remains poor. The truth is that he is taxed too much on everything he uses, while his products are sold in the world's markets for what they will bring. He can help himself only by jusisting that the burdensome taxes he pays shall be lessened. These taxes are levied by the 'God bless you, my wife: I forgive you | Government on his tools, his clothing, his rice, salt, spgar, and almost everything be needs to make farm life tolerable or possible. Let the farmers once resolve that these high taxes shall come down, and they would not

stand unchallenged in Congress for a day. Our Delaware farmer thinks that all would be well with the agriculturist if the bears would only turn bulls and push prices upward. Well, they do that occasionally, but there is no advantage to the grain grower.

had said. What could she have meant? | rudely eloquent words of our Kent County

correspondent: "Prices have gone down until thousands of farmers are ruined, and other thousands that are not entirely ruined are crippled, and have to use the old implements, and wear the old coats, boots, hats, etc. The country merchants have to keep their goods on their sheives, and the whole-sale dealer his, while the manufacturers, for the want of orders, have to stop their machinery and turn out thousands of operatives into idleness and want. This is the whole secret of hard times, and unless there is a favorable change in the prices of the great staples of the farmer harder times must follow. At present these prices are less than the cost of production, and the farmer who has faild nothing by in better times must go to the wall, as thousand; have done, still further increasing the army of unemployed."

The farmer who lives on his own land and keeps out of debt is sure of a fortune, but this is a condition which is yearly becoming rarer among tillers of the soil. What statesman or publicist is there who can make adequate or satisfactory answer to the bitter cry of this harassed and discouraged farmer of Delaware.

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ful management. Young pigs of the Suffolk and Yorkshire breeds are good feeders and grow rapidly, as do not lose flesh as quickly as do sows of interferes with their breathing should they have a cold. It is not to be inferred that "She shall never be your wife. Do you | pigs of the Suffolk or Yorkshire breeds are breeds the farmer should not feed too highsow keeps in high flesh she should never be fed on corn or cornmeal. Cooked vegetables will answer much better than grain, if such "Sinful as you are. I can not believe you | food is provided liberally, but should the purpose the cross of a pure breed with large,

coarse sows will give the best results. Should the sow that is to farrow be very large an attendant must carefully take the pigs from her and place them near a stove or they become able to move about. Should any of them be very weak or exhausted imgrees will be found very beneficial, but the pigs so treated must be wrapped in cloth or fiannel and well dried in a warm room. The "Think of the dreaful punishment which | difficulty with farrowing sows is that the pigs are liable to perish from cold before they become strong enough to seek warmth week is the most critical period; if the pigs

The wearing of pigs should be defeared to winter as iste as possible. They need all the food and warmth they can get, and if they est from the trough and also derive nourishas profitable in the coming fall as can be expected, for the clover will be in time for them when they no longer need assistance from the sow. Berkshires, Poland-Chinas Essexes, Suffolks and Yorkshires, and such pigs theive we'l; but greater loss occurs to them from the dams, which are usually heavy, and crush them. For this season, or in early spring, pigs of the small breeds usually give the best results, while pigs that are exposed to the weather and the sow not properly fed, but if farm work is scarce there is no reason why an early period

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